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United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES REGISTRATION FORM

State or Federal agency and bureau



This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form

10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all Items.
1. Name of Property historic name Southwest Boundary Dike
other names/site number
2. Location street & number Congaree Swamp National Monument
city or town Hopkins vicinity state South Carolina code SC county Richland code 079 zip code 29061
As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedura and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property _X meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide _X locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.
Many W. Edmands, Deputy SHPO 10/2/96 Signature of certifying official Date S.C. Department of Archives and History State or Federal agency and bureau
In my opinion, the property X meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.) Signature of commenting or other official Date Date

4. National Park Service Certification
entered in the National Register See continuation sheet. determined eligible for the National Register See continuation sheet. determined not eligible for the National Register removed from the National Register other (explain):
other (explain):
Signature of Keeper Date of Action
5. Classification
Ownership of Property Category of Property (Check as many boxes as apply) (Check only one box)
private building(s) public-local district public-State site _X public-Federal x structure object
Number of Resources within Property (Do not include previously listed properties in the count)
Contributing Noncontributing 0 buildings 0 sites 1 structures 0 objects 1 Total
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register $\underline{0}$
Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) Historic Resources of Congaree Swamp National Monument

6. Function or Use	
Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions) AGRICULTURE/SUBSISTENCE/flood control	Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions) OTHER/national park
7. Description	
Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions) No style	Materials (Enter categories from instructions) foundation: walls: roof: other: earth
or more continuation sheets.) 8. Statement of Significance	ck "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria
qualifying the property for National Regis	ter listing)
X A Property is associated to contribution to the broad	with events that have made a significant ad patterns of our history.
B Property is associated our past.	with the lives of persons significant in
period, or method of co	istinctive characteristics of a type, nstruction or represents the work of a gh artistic values, or represents a uishable entity whose components lack
X D Property has yielded, o in prehistory or histor	r is likely to yield information important y.

Criteria Consid	derations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)
A	owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes
В	removed from its original location.
c	a birthplace or a grave.
D	a cemetery.
E	a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
F	a commemorative property.
G	less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.
ACRICULTURE	ies from instructions) 1740-1900
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Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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(Cite the books, articles continuation sheets.) See Property Documentation	Historic Resources	used in preparing of Congaree Swamp	this form National	on one or more Monument Multiple
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Previous docume	untation on file (NPS)
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Other Sta _X_ Federal a	ate agency
Local gov	vernment
Universit	· ·
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10. Geographi	cal Data
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Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By					
name/title Jill Hanson, Historian					
organization National Park Service, Southeast Field Area					
date					
street & number 75 Spring Street, S.W. telephone (404) 331-5988					
city or town Atlanta state GA zip code 30303					
Additional Documentation					
Submit the following items with the completed form:					
Continuation Sheets					
Maps A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location. A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.					
Photographs Representative black and white photographs of the property.					
Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)					
Property Owner (Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)					
name National Park Service					
street & number P.O. Box 37127 telephone					
city or town Washington state DC zip code 20013-7127					

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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF RESOURCE

Southwest Boundary Dike, HS-03

A 3-to-4-foot-high earthen dike running

The structure is covered with mature hardwood trees and other vegetation. Inundation and erosion caused by seasonal flooding impact the dike structure, but the resource retains overall historic integrity.

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NARRATIVE STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Southwest Boundary Dike is significant under the context "Agricultural Settlement in the Congaree Swamp: 1740-1900" established in the National Register of Historic Places Multiple Property Documentation Form for the Historic Resources of Congaree Swamp National Monument. Beginning in 1730, small farmers moved into the back country of South Carolina to find fertile farm land and to create "buffer zones" between the back country and the more densely populated coastal area centered around the city of Charleston. After the end of the Cherokee War in 1761 and the establishment of the state capital at Columbia in 1786, wealthy planters moved into the Congaree River valley to introduce the plantation system to the region. Settlers built dikes in an effort to control the periodic flooding of the Congaree River and utilize the fertile swampland on its border to grow crops. The cost of building and maintaining large earthen dike systems using slave labor in the disease-ridden swamp discouraged the efforts of most land owners and led to the decline of large-scale farming in the area.

The dike is significant at the state level under National Register criteria A and D for its association with the agricultural settlement of the Congaree Swamp and for its ability to yield information about settlement patterns in the region.